

## **A celebration of science**

**Mill Creek Elementary students get a full day of science**

*Enterprise staff*

*Friday, May 25, 2007*

Over 25 presenters, 70 volunteers and 500 students participated in Mill Creek Elementary's Science Day May 16.

Students rotated to different presenters by grade level and curriculum for a full day of learning.

Presenters included Rick Hartman, known for his toy making, who talked about the principles of simple machines. Kathy Ketchum, also known as "The Organ Lady," showed children real-life examples of organs to teach about the dangers of smoking and drug abuse.



Making easy tasks like grabbing a pen difficult, "drunk glasses" distort fifth-grader's vision as she reaches out to grab the object, during science day, Wednesday, May 16, at Mill Creek Elementary School.

Bob Jackson with Geology Adventures used ice cream, chocolate chips and pudding in his demonstration about glaciers. Pause with a Cause Assistance Dog Ambassadors Rico and Kathy Dwyer demonstrated the special skills of an assistance dog.

Several parents of Mill Creek students past and present taught sessions like:

- "All About Rocks" with Tom Jones, former Mill Creek Elementary parent and geologist
- "Squid Dissection" with Mike Jacobsen, former Mill Creek Elementary parent
- "Genetics and DNA" with Margie Marsh and Taryn Oestrich, former Mill Creek Elementary parent
- "Sunflower House" with Rachelle Gehrig, Mill Creek Elementary parent
- "Volcanoes" with Lori and Greg Wilson, Mill Creek Elementary parents
- "Catapult!" with Rebecca Desmon, Mill Creek Elementary parent.

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